

Specification Amendments:

Please make the following change in the Co-Pending Applications section of the Specification

CO-PENDING APPLICATIONS

The present application is a continuation of United States Patent Application No. 09/429,504, filed on October 27, 1999 and entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MONITORING COMPUTER NETWORKS AND EQUIPMENT," which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

Please delete the Abstract in its entirety and insert therefore the following new Abstract:

The application discloses an apparatus including at least one sensor configured to monitor environmental conditions ambient to rack mounted computer equipment and a housing configured for mounting to an equipment rack. The housing includes a processor responsive to the sensor, at least one network interface responsive to the processor and configured for communication with a distributed computing network, a web server configured to provide a web page associated with information derived from the sensor, an email module configured to send notification of events associated with the sensor, and a simple network management protocol module configured to communicate with computer equipment external to the housing.